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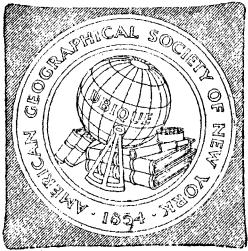
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Knud Rasmussen is a Danish Arctic explorer of note. In 1912, in his first "Thule" expedition, he crossed northern Greenland twice from coast to coast over the inland ice—each journey one of over 600 miles—and explored the region at the head of Danmark and Independence Fiords, the two major re-entrants on the northeastern coast of Greenland, thus establishing a link between the explorations of the ill-fated Mylius Erichsen, 1906-08, and of Peary, 1892 (see the *Geogr. Review*, Vol. 1, pp. 449-452, and Vol. 2, pp. 65-66). On the present, second Thule, expedition he has surveyed the remaining unexplored fiords on the northern coast, thus practically completing our knowledge of the precise outline of Greenland. The name of the expeditions is taken from the name of the permanent trading station he established on North Star Bay, Wolstenholme Sound, on the west coast, in order to maintain for the Eskimos the connection with civilization established through Peary's various expeditions, which was likely to lapse in view of his improbable return to this region after his discovery of the Pole, and also to maintain a scientific research station which could serve as a base of operations for exploring expeditions.

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